1: Leitner, G. W. Dardistan in 1866, 1886, and 1893. England: Oriental University Institute, Woking, 1893?

Pp. viii, 251; 1 map; 17 illustrations

Harvard: Ind 3278.25

/The author made several excursions into the general area of Dardistan (a name which he claims to have assigned to this area) between 1866 and 1893, primarily to pursue linguistic studies. This book is a miscellaneous collection of notes, letters, lectures, and previously published papers, dealing with a variety of subjects. The one integrating theme is the author's violent opposition to British policy among these peoples. He reproduces an extensive collection of Dard folktales and legends. There is a detailed analysis of the Druze (Druse) or Mulái religious sect; a history of the Dards; and, scattered cultural information on the Dards and on Hunza-Nagar. The latter is included under his designation of Dardistan. An Introduction and 8 appendices which are paginated as separate units in the original have been repaginated as follows: the Introduction has been changed from pp. 1-4 to v-viii; the appendices have been numbered consecutively 112-251, following page 111 of the text. Sections of the book have been processed for the AV1 Kashmir, AV2 Balti, AV7 Burusho and M1 Middle East files. --Analyst/

Field date: 1866-93
Analyst: R.H. Ewald

Evaluation: Linguist--3
Processed in 1955

2: Lorimer, David L. The Supernatural in the Popular Belief of the Gilgit Region. Journal of the Royal Asiatic Society of Great Britain and Ireland, pp. 507-536. London: 1929.

Yale: D420.1

/The writer, whose main interest is in linguistics, made this study while serving in a government office in Gilgit. He has recorded several popular tales, legends and some local customs and beliefs. The comparative linguistic material refers mainly to data on supernatural phenomena./

Field date: 1920-1924
Analyst: Helen Takacs

Evaluation: Linguist - 3
Processed in 1955.

111 AV3 Dard

3: Muhammad, Ghulam. Festivals and Folklore of Gilgit. Memoirs of Asiatic Society of Bengal, Vol. I, pp. 93-127. Calcutta, 1907.

Yale: Fd12 +R81h. v. 1

/The author was chief clerk in the Political Office in Gilgit. His article contains the texts of legends and folktales with descriptions of a marriage ceremony and ceremonies associated with seasonal activities. Several song texts appear with translations in English. --Analyst/

Field date: ca. 1900
Analyst: Helen Takacs

Evaluation: Government Official-3
Processed in 1955

111 AV3 Dard

4: Biddulph, J. Tribes of the Hindoo Koosh. Calcutta: Office of the Superintendent of Government Printing, 1880.

Pp. vi, 164, clxix; pocket map; 6 plates; 5 charts; Appendices A-J.

Yale: Eeha. 878B.

/The author was Political Officer at Gilgit in 1877-78, and prior to that he made several visits to the countries surrounding the eastern part of the Hindu Kush range. He has "...endeavoured to record all that I have deemed worthy of general interest regarding the countries and their inhabitants..." While much of the book is concerned with geography there is also much cultural material, particularly of a social and religious nature. The value of the latter, however, is diminished in that it presents a summary of a broad geographical area with only limited reference to local variations. There are 4 chapters of history based largely on genealogical material. Sections of the book were processed for the AV2 Balti, AV7 Burusho, and the AT4 Pathan files. Ten appendices, containing 169 pages of linguistic data, were not processed and do not appear in the 116 file. --Analyst./

Field date: 1873-78
Analyst: R.H. Ewald

Evaluation: Government Official-3
Processed in 1955